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WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF REGULATION AND LICENSING MASSAGE THERAPISTS AND BODYWORKERS ADVISORY COMMITTEE OCTOBER 23, 2001

MEMBERS PRESENT: John Botsford, Susan Frolik, Claude Gagnon (arrived 1:16 p.m.),

Robert Myran, Vlad Thomas, Dena Mae Schacht

MEMBERS ABSENT: W. Kent Bergstrom, Fayne Diegel, Joann Griffin, Nancy Knapp,

Marcia Kohler

LEGAL COUNSEL: William Black

STAFF PRESENT: Kimberly Nania, Karen Rude-Evans, Myra Shelton (portion of

meeting)

GUESTS: Janey Johns, MATC; Pat Sweeney, EAB

CALL TO ORDER

Kimberly Nania called the meeting to order at 1:09 p.m.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was approved by consensus.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF OCTOBER 3, 2000

The Minutes of October 3, 2000 were approved by consensus.

SECRETARY OSCAR HERRERA

Kimberly Nania introduced Secretary Herrera to the Committee. The Secretary gave a brief synopsis of his background and thanked the Committee members for the time they give on behalf of the citizens of Wisconsin.

SUMMARY REPORTS ON PENDING COURT CASES, DISCIPLINARY CASES AND ADMINISTRATIVE RULES

These reports were informational.

STATE'S DATA UPDATE – EDUCATIONAL REQUIREMENTS – NATIONAL CERTIFICATION EXAMINATION

This item was informational.

COMMISSION ON MASSAGE THERAPY ACCREDITATION UPDATE ON ACTIONS TAKEN BY COMTA

This item was informational.

RL 90 AND RL 91 RELATING TO THE REGISTRATION OF MASSAGE THERAPISTS AND BODYWORKERS

This item was informational. The Department is now able to approve nationally accredited schools, and they do not have to be EAB approved.

UPDATE ON COMPLAINT PROCESS

This item was informational.

DISCUSSION OF PROPOSING LEGISLATION TO LICENSE MASSAGE THERAPISTS IN WISCONSIN

The Committee discussed the idea of seeking licensure for massage therapists. Massage therapists and bodyworkers and currently registered in Wisconsin. There was no consensus from the members on this issue. It is apparent that some practitioners who are not Wisconsin registered are improperly using the protected titles. Kimberly Nania told the Committee members that they could fill out a complaint form so these practitioners can be screened and possibly investigated by DOE.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: John Botsford moved, seconded by Robert Myran, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 3:02 p.m.

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